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## BLOCKS 47, 52, LEAD INDEFINITE LEAVES CENSUS

According to a leaves census taken by the relocation division on Dec. 4, blocks 47 and 52 lead blocks in both Butte and Canal in the total number of indefinite leaves with total of 78 and 70 respectively. A close third were blocks 59 and 74 with 69 indefinites each.

Bringing up the rear of the procession were block 43, 66, 36, and 45 with 1, 10, 12, and 18 indefinite leaves respectively.

The following are the blocks with 50 or more indefinite leaves: blk. 47-78 indefinites; 52-70; 59-69; 74-69; 24-68; 58-64; 32-58; 73-56; 57-55; 60-53; 56-52; 44-50; and 72-50.

Latest figures on total resettlement show that 1,915 residents have re-settled permanently. On seasonal leave are 84.

## JUDICIAL COMMISSIONS TO TRY OFFENSES FROM JAN.

The Judicial Commissions of Butte and Canal will begin to try residents for offenses from the new year, according to a joint announcement of

the Commissions.

The members of the Commissions met with Project Director L. H. Bennett, Project Attorney J. H. Terry and Hugo Wolter, assistant director, at an organization meeting yesterday.

The project director has been hearing all cases to date. The Commissions will sit in on the final hearing conducted by Bennett before they take over the trials in their respective communities.

The members of the Judicial Commissions are as follows: Butte-Shotaro Hiki, Dr. George Iki and Fred Shimizu. Canal-George Naganatsu, Frank Sasaki and Dick Seiki. Naganatsu's appointment was made public by Mats Ando, Canal Council chairman, yesterday.

The Commissions will follow the Code of Offenses, drawn up and approved by the Councils of both camps. The Code lists 40 specific offenses and provides a maximum penalty of \$300, three-month imprisonment, suspension of work or pay privileges for three months, or any combination of such penalties.

## Holiday Party Tomorrow Night

Eats, huge bonfires, a talent show, and community singing led by pom-pom girls will be featured at the holiday outing to be held at the Fox Butte tomorrow night.

Dinner will be served at 6:15 p.m. tomorrow to make possible a prompt departure at 7:15 p.m. Everyone who goes is asked to bring his own cup, fork, and spoon. The advice is to bundle up warmly for the trip which is apt to be cold. All trucks will leave their designated places at 7:15 p.m.

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## RESOLUTION ALLOWS NISEI RETURN TO CALIFORNIA FOR FARMING

A resolution which, in effect, declared that persons of Japanese ancestry should not be barred from the agricultural life of

California after the military authorities approve their return was passed by the California State Board of Agriculture on December 30.

The resolution was presented by Professor Paul S. Taylor of the University of California, Berkeley member of the board, and the motion was seconded by Stewart Meigs, Carpenteria member.

James F. Armstrong, Los Angeles member, vigorously opposed the resolution on the grounds it was not the time to take such action, nor should the state board, interject itself into such a controversy.

The resolution states: "Whereas it will be the responsibility of military authorities to determine the duration of that peri-

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## DISTRIBUTION OF NET FUND AT 69-6

The office for the distribution of the remaining camouflage checks has been opened at the 69-6 building with entrance through the south door, the net fund trustees announced yesterday.

Those who did not receive checks at all during the regular distribution will be taken care of immediately. Office hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily.

The trustees said that adjustments in errors and refunds for certain income tax payments cannot be made immediately.

## CHRISTMAS PLAY TONIGHT

The postponed Christmas program is to be held tonight at seven sharp at the Butte amphitheatre. The main feature of the program will be the play, "Why the Chimes rang," starring George Kaya, David Eto, and Nobuko Emoto.

A pageant depicting the birth of Christ and community singing of two carols will make up the rest of the presentation.

The public is cordially invited to attend.